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PLANNING MEETING FOR JANIS 155

1. Comdr. Bailey called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.
2. Those present were:

Comdr. Bailey, JISPB  
Major Kountz, JISPB  
Ensign Stone, JISPB  
Lt. Comdr. Clinton, JISPB Staff  
Major Delaney, JISPB Staff  
Lt. (jg) Ullman, JISPB Staff  
Captain Moore, ONI  
Comdr. Cumberledge, BuAer  
Comdr. Macomb, ONI  
Lt. Col. McCaffery, ENGS.  
Lt. Col. Sturdevant, ONI  
Lt. Col. Anderson, SGO  
Lt. (jg) Sweet, ONI  
Lt. (jg) Loveridge, Op-35  
Lt. (jg) Brown, BuAer  
Lt. (jg) Sears, HO  
Dr. Graves, BEB  
Dr. Krumhein, BEB  
[REDACTED] OSS  
Miss Clark, ONI  
Mr. Van Riper, MIS

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3. The area to be covered in JANIS 155 was outlined. It is to be divided into 7 parts:

(A) Waigeo Island	(D) Mindanao Island
(B) Molukka Islands	(E) Sulu Islands
(C) Talaud-Takoena Islands	(F) Northeastern Borneo
(G) Northern Celebes Island	

4. A map showing such boundaries will be sent to the participating agencies by the JISPB, along with a sample organization sheet indicating the adaptation of the Outline Guide to the studies. Comdr. Bailey indicated that the textual matter should not stop completely in these boundaries but should fade out from these with descriptions of important nearby facts, which would be related to the strategic problems of the Celebes Sea.

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5. [REDACTED] of the OSS suggested that the Allied Geographic Section be given this job and that we take an area to the north, which the AGS cannot do.

6. Major Kountz stated that the SWP Section of MID is not in favor of preparing this study as the AGS is now doing a report on the area and the SWP Section is just completing one.

7. Lt. Col. Sturdevant again pointed out that the AGS reports are not complete enough on the topics of oceanography, climatology, beaches, terrain, and port facilities.

8. Comdr. Bailey indicated that it would necessary for us to proceed on the study. The JISPB will inform the proper authorities of the objections to proceeding with the study.

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9. Ensign Stone, in replying to [REDACTED] suggestion, reminded the group that the JISPB has been told that the existence of studies as complete as could be prepared in Washington still might be incomplete for the Joint War Planners' purposes of preparing a strategic plan. Under the circumstances it might then be necessary for JANIS to be prepared on that area. Such a JANIS would incorporate existing material and answers to specific questions relating to SWPA.

10. Comdr. Bailey indicated the Planners' divisions of areas into three types: the combat area, the forward area, and the rear or support area. He emphasized the need for pointing up textual information to satisfy these areas as much as possible.

11. A sample organization sheet was passed around and discussed. This indicated the suggested adaptation of the Outline Guide to the area to be covered in JANIS 155.

12. Text, illustrations, and maps are to be forwarded to the JISPB on or before 19 January 1944.

13. Lt. Col. Sturdevant requested the establishment of the relative priority of JANIS and other studies. This question is to be forwarded to the Joint Topographical Sub-Committee for a decision.

14. Comdr. Bailey requested forwarding of the names, addresses and telephone numbers of research personnel in all agencies engaged in the preparation of JANIS 155.

15. Lt. (jg) Ullman suggested that a list of material on hand in each office be forwarded to the JISPB for distribution to all participating agencies. Comdr. Bailey made such a request for the JISPB.

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16. Major Kountz requested a record to be made that apparently Board Members are not in agreement as to whether we should proceed or not with JANIS 155. He indicated the necessity of all recommendations and objections to proceeding with this study be presented to the Joint Topographical Sub-Committee.

The meeting adjourned at 3:45 p. m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kirk H. Stone,  
Ensign, USNR,  
Secretary.